

**COMMUNITY SAFETY & LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL  
STREET BEGGARS – ACTION PLAN**

**Considered by Executive: 21 February 2017**

<b>SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>PROPOSED ACTION</b>	<b>Update (November 2017)</b>
1. That the multi-agency approach adopted in addressing the issue of street beggars be endorsed and supported.	Multi agency ‘Street Begging Action Plan’ meeting to continue and to be visited by Alma Hellaoui (Chair of scrutiny)	Completed. Begging action plan & multi-agency meeting reviewed.  Not appropriate for Scrutiny Chair to attend meeting due to sensitive/confidential content relating to personal information. However a multi-agency meeting can be arranged to provide an overview of the work being done
2. That the public information campaign to encourage people to ‘Think before you Give’ be widely advertised and promoted across Middlesbrough.	Further press release on the campaign	A new communication strategy has been developed linking into the approach being delivered by the newly formed ‘Town Centre Team’
	Revisit all shops and bars and request to display posters	Will form part of the above.  See detailed operational action plan attached.
3. That a charity donation box be installed in the Town Hall to allow members of the public to make an instant donation to a homelessness charity.	Discuss at Homeless Forum on 29/11/16 and identify relevant charity.	To add to operational action plan. The communications plan proposes this be part of the poster campaign. Update to be provided by Marion Walker at Scrutiny meeting
	Receive charity donation box from agreed charity and arrange installation in Town Hall	To add to operational action plan
	Ensure street performers display their busking	Meeting to be held with Licensing

4. That approved street performers be required to display their Busking Permits for easy identification by members of the public.	permits, by reminding them to at point of issue and checking periodically.	13/11/17 to progress
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